

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

CUSTOMER NO. 22927

Applicants: Walker *et al.*
Application No.: 09/685,079
Filed: October 6, 2000
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS WHEREIN A SECURITY
DEPOSIT FACILITATES A TRANSACTION IN WHICH A
BENEFIT IS APPLIED IN EXCHANGE FOR PERFORMANCE
OF A TASK
Attorney Docket No.: 00-039

Group Art Unit: 3627
Examiner: Florian M. Zeender

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
to the Non-final Office Action mailed July 17, 2006**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Non-final Office Action mailed July 17, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Following is a detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application. A status identifier is provided for every claim and the current text of every claim is presented, unless the claim has been cancelled or not entered. Current amendments to the claims are expressed in the detailed listing by strikethrough or double brackets (for deleted matter) or underlining (for added matter).